

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
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Plaintiff,)
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v.) Case No. 4:20 CR 487 MTS
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MICHAEL JOSEPH MONROE,)
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Defendant.)

OPINION, MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on Defendant Michael Monroe's Motion to Sever Counts One and Two from Counts Three and Four; and severing Count Five from all other Counts. Doc. [64]. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), the motion was referred to United States Magistrate Nannette A. Baker, who recommended that the motion be denied. No objections were filed.

As no objections were filed, I will adopt and sustain the Report and Recommendation filed by Judge Baker. I have independently reviewed her recommendation and agree there is no basis under the facts and the law to sever Counts One and Two from Counts Three and Four; and severing Count Five from all other Counts.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge, Doc. [103], is **SUSTAINED, ADOPTED, and INCORPORATED** herein, and Defendant Michael Monroe's Motion to Sever Counts One and Two from Counts Three and Four; and severing Count Five from all other Counts. Doc. [64] is **DENIED**.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2022



MATTHEW T. SCHHELP
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE